

recommendation of the Republican Leader, in consultation with the ranking members of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, appointed the following individuals to the United States-China Economic Security Review Commission:

Patrick A. Mulloy of Virginia, for a term beginning January 1, 2010 and expiring December 31, 2011, and

William A. Reinsch of Maryland, for a term beginning January 1, 2010 and expiring December 31, 2011.

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**Hamilton Nomination—Cloture Agreement:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of David F. Hamilton, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent-time agreement of Tuesday, November 10, 2009, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of H.R. 3082; provided that prior to the cloture vote on the nomination, there be 60 minutes of debate, with the time equally divided and controlled between the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on the Judiciary; provided further, that the vote not occur prior to 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, November 17, 2009.

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**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Jeffrey L. Bleich, of California, to be Ambassador to Australia. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Rajiv J. Shah, of Washington, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Erin C. Conaton, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force.

Douglas A. Criscitello, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Anthony R. Coscia, of New Jersey, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

Albert DiClemente, of Delaware, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for the remainder of the term expiring July 26, 2011.

Cynthia L. Attwood, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2013.

Sandford Blitz, of Maine, to be Federal Cochairperson of the Northern Border Regional Commission.

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 210, at 8:09 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, November 16, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11357.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### HOMELESS VETERANS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation and Community Development concluded a hearing to examine ending veterans' homelessness, after receiving testimony from Mercedes Marquez, Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Community Planning and Development; Peter H. Dougherty, Director, Homeless Veterans Programs, Office of Public and Intergovernmental Affairs, Department of Veterans Affairs; Steven R. Berg, National Alliance to End Homelessness, Melanie Lilliston, National Coalition for Homeless Veterans, and William Wise, all of Washington, D.C.; Jack Fanous, G.I. Go Fund, Newark, New Jersey; and Lila M. Guy, Twin Oaks, Pennsylvania.

### PROPOSALS FOR LONG-TERM FISCAL STABILITY

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine bipartisan process proposals for long-term fiscal stability, after receiving testimony from Senators Feinstein, Lieberman, Bayh, and Voinovich; Representatives Cooper and Wolf; William A. Galston, Brookings Institution, and Maya MacGuineas, Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, both of Washington, D.C.; Douglas Holtz-